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Yelm Man Arrested for Possessing Images of Child Sexual Abuse

James V. Pfaff, age 51, was arrested on May 30, 2006, for possessing and dealing in depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

Pfaff allegedly used his home computer to subscribe to an Internet site that contained illegal images of child pornography / images of child sexual abuse. The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) received a cyber tip of subscriptions to the Web site which then led to Mr. Pfaff. The FBI requested the assistance of the WSP's Missing & Exploited Children Task Force who executed a search warrant on Mr. Pfaff's residence.

Mr. Pfaff was interviewed at his residence by the Washington State Patrol Missing and Exploited Children Task Force and Thurston County Sheriff's Office. Evidence obtained at Mr. Pfaff's residence was submitted to the WSP Computer Crime Unit for forensic analysis and criminal charges will be referred to the Thurston County Prosecutor's Office.

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The Missing and Exploited Children Task Force is a multi-agency task force that assists law enforcement, state and federal agencies, and the proper custodial parent(s) or guardian(s) by conducting investigations on missing, abducted, and exploited children. For more information about the task force, please contacted Sergeant Dan Sharp at (360) 704-2390 or visit www.wsp.wa.gov/missing/ourkids.htm